

Interagency Coordinating Committee on the Validation of Alternative Methods

Update on ICCVAM's Vision and Strategy

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Priority Areas of Focus

 ICCVAM is developing a strategy and roadmap to establish alternative methods for the six most commonly conducted acute toxicity tests.

 A more comprehensive US strategy and roadmap will be needed to implement the use of more human-predictive approaches for assessing complex biological processes such as developmental toxicity and carcinogenicity.



Acute Toxicity

Excerpt for Letter to Stakeholders on OPP's Goal to Reduce Animal Testing:

"OPP's immediate goal is to significantly reduce the use of animals in acute effects testing (the "6-pack" studies). Over 50 animals are used for a complete set of 6-pack studies. Annually, we receive over 500 acute toxicity 6-pack





Jack E. Housenger, Director Office of Pesticide Programs

Sincerely.



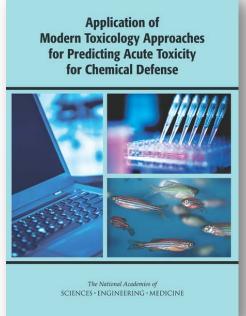


Acute Toxicity

DOD asked the National Research Council to determine how DOD could use modern approaches for predicting chemical toxicity in its efforts to prevent debilitating, acute exposures to deployed personnel. This report provides an overall conceptual approach that DOD could use to develop a predictive toxicology system.









Acute Toxicity

Study Type

Acute oral toxicity – Rat

Acute dermal toxicity – Rat /Rabbit

Acute inhalation toxicity – Rat

Primary eye irritation – Rabbit

Primary dermal irritation – Rabbit

Dermal sensitization – Guinea Pig / Mouse

Agencies that utilize data (generate, require, accept, or consider) from one or more acute toxicity tests: CPSC, DoD, DoT, EPA, FDA, NIEHS (NTP), OSHA



General Approach for Each Test

- Establish ICCVAM Working Group
- Draft Scoping Document:
 - Identify all agency requirements / expectations
 - Classification & labeling system(s) (GHS, EPA, CPSC)
 - Legal framework for acceptance of alternative methods
 - Define chemical and regulatory space for each agency
 - Identify validated alternatives and status of acceptance by agency



General Approach for Each Test

- Identification, acquisition, and curation of high quality data (in vitro and in vivo)
- Identify obstacles to implementation
- Develop validation strategy and prioritize activities based on agency needs, expected impact on animal usage, ability to mitigate obstacles, and available resources
- Coordinate efforts with international partners throughout the process



Progress

- Database of complete "6-pack" studies from ~900 pesticide products
- Acute dermal toxicity
 - EPA draft waiver guidance
- Acute oral and inhalation toxicity
 - Defining IATAs; discussing harmonization
- Skin sensitization
 - ICCVAM IATAs published; ICATM workshop
- Skin & Eye irritation/corrosion
 - Cataloging validation status of new methods, identifying testing needs, developing IATAs